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G.O. No. 5664

Dated 17-11-48

[Despatch Abstract.]

Touring - Deputy Directors of Agriculture and District Agricultural Officers - Half year ending 31.6.1948 - Review Recorded.

No.W.2.Pdl/34/48.

Office of the Director of Agriculture, Madras., dated the 19th October 1948.

Sub:- Review of tours made by the Deputy Directors of Agriculture and District Agricultural Officers during the half year ending 30th June 1948.

Tours:- There were 46 officers on duty during the half year either as Deputy Directors of Agriculture or District Agricultural Officers. Of these 21 officers were on duty for the full period and the rest for varying portions of the half year. A consolidated statement showing the tours made by the Deputy Directors of Agriculture and District Agricultural Officers during the period is attached. (Appendix I).

Minimum tour:- All the officers have put in the minimum number of tour days required, except the eighteen officers whose names are furnished in Appendix II. The deficit in the case of the last two officers relates to the previous half year which was ordered to be made good during the half year under report.

Short touring:- Of the 18 officers who have deficit in tour days, the first two are Deputy Directors of Agriculture and the remaining 16 officers are District Agricultural Officers. The deficit in their cases ranges from 1 to 43 days.

The Deputy Directors of Agriculture draw only ordinary travelling allowance for the days they tour and hence the deficit in tour days in their cases is condoned. They are, however, instructed to perform the minimum touring prescribed.

The following 16 District Agricultural Officers (who draw fixed travelling allowance) have no valid excuse for their sh touring and it is therefore ordered that they should refund the fixed travelling allowance drawn by them for the days of short touring noted against them.

1. Sri. P.L. Narasimham.	18 days.
2. Janab Md. Khasim Adeni Sahib.	17 days.
3. Sri. A. Rama Mohan Rao.	1 day.
4. Sri. M. Narasimham.	13 days.
5. Sri. K. Gurumurthi.	43 days.
6. Sri. K. Rama Rao.	9 days.
7. Sri. V. Suryanarayana.	22 days.
8. Sri. K. Venkataraman.	8 days.
9. Sri. V. Satagopan.	5 days.
10. Janab S.M. Sulaiman Sahib.	37 days.
11. Sri. K. Varadhachari.	7 days.
12. Sri. M. Gopala Chetti.	4 days.
13. Sri. G. Sakharama Rao.	4 days.
14. Sri. K. Srinivasacharya.	2 days.
15. Janab Mohammed Abbas Sahib.	2 days.
16. Sri. K. Sivasankara Menon.	5 days.

The above officers should report the particulars of amount refunded within a fortnight. All the officers are informed that the Director of Agriculture views with displeasure the short touring in their cases and expects that every officer should adhere to the minimum touring prescribed in future.

Number of Villages visited:- During the half year unde review the Deputy Directors of Agriculture and the District Agricultural Officers visited 4,225 villages as against 4,052

villages visited during the previous half year. The officers should visit more villages and particularly villages in the interior and effectively check the out-door work of the subordinates

Audit:- In all, 58 depots and 21 farms and offices have been audited during the half year as against 41 depots and 5 farms and offices audited during the previous half year.

With a view to relieve the Deputy Directors of Agriculture and District Agricultural Officers from audit of accounts Special Audit Staff (1 Accounts Officer, 1 Accountant and 4 Auditors) were appointed to conduct the audit of accounts of all the departmental offices and they have commenced auditing during the half year under report. The Deputy Directors of Agriculture and the District Agricultural Officers are therefore, requested to give the audit staff all facilities in conducting the audit work.

R.M. Sundaram,
Director of Agriculture.

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To

All Deputy Directors of Agriculture and the District Agricultural Officers.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Development, Department, Madras with Appendices I and II.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
Abstract.

Touring - Deputy Directors of Agriculture and District Agricultural Officers - Half year ending 31.6.1948 - Review - Recorded.

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

G.O. Ms. No. 5664. Dated the 17th November 1948.

Read:-

G.O. No. Rt. 323, Development, dated 1.5.1948.
From the Director of Agriculture, No. W2/Pdl.34/48 dated 19.10.1948.

Order:-

Recorded.

2. The Government view with displeasure the short touring by officers. They also wish to impress on the officers that mere lightning tours just to swell the returns is not what is wanted. It is very important that all touring officers should tour the villages withutmost vigour and make close contact with all ryots big or small. A visit to a village by a District Agricultural Officer should involve generally a planned and sympathetic attack on all the agricultural problems in that village. The Government desire that the Director of Agriculture should pay his close and personal attention to this aspect of the work of District Agricultural Officers and Deputy Directors. He should hand up to Government any officers who are persistently slack. A suitable circular should be sent to all officers concerned.

The Government again note that audit work has been neglected by a number of District Agricultural Officers and Deputy Directors. He is requested to obtain and submit the

explanation of officers who have not inspected even one district during the half year. The explanations called for in G.O. No. 323, Development, dated 1.5.1948 should also be expedited without further delay.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

W.R.S. Sattianathan,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Director of Agriculture, Madras.

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Superintendent,
Madras Record Office.

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